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Re: New U.S. Patent Application of Inventor: Marty Steinberg

Title: "Method and System for Management of Purchasing Incentives"

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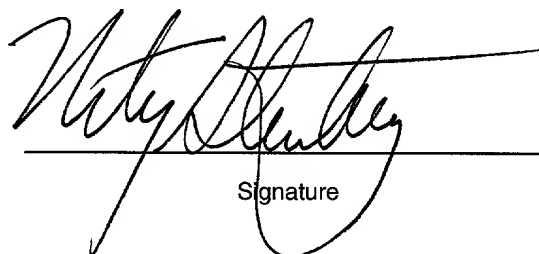
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1. Application for Patent Cover Sheet
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